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MEMORANDUM FOR: General Walter B. Smith
Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Psychological Strategy Program for the Middle East

1. Pursuant to the Board's decision of December 18, 1952, regarding completion of pending planning projects, I enclose a copy of the draft of Psychological Strategy Program for the Middle East for consideration by the Psychological Strategy Board on January 15, 1953.

2. In order to meet the Board's deadline, it has proved necessary to curtail the usual period for co-ordination of agency and PSB staff comments on the panel draft. Some changes are therefore to be expected in the present text, and if any agreed revisions are received before January 15, 1953, they will be transmitted to the Board as corrigenda to the basic paper. I hope, therefore, that by the time of the Board meeting, the paper will be in such shape as to permit at least approval in principle.

3. Considering the pressure on the panel in the last stage of its work, I feel that the draft has exceptionally high quality, and promises to become one of PSB's most significant achievements to date in energizing and co-ordinating the national psychological effort.

4. In accordance with the request of the panel chairman, I invite your attention to paragraphs 2 and 4 of his letter of transmittal dated January 12, 1953, a copy of which accompanies the basic document.

5. It is requested that special security precautions be observed in the handling of the enclosure, and that access to it be restricted on a need-to-know basis.

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Enclosure:

Director

PSB D-22, Psychological Strategy
Program for the Middle East dated
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